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EUGENE ROSTOW

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: FRG-ICELANDIC FISHING NEGOTIATIONS

1. AFTER OUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION YESTERDAY
RECEIVED FOLLOWING CABLE FROM BIRRENBACH:

QUOTE: RE YOUR CABLE OCTOBER 16 GERMAN FOREIGN
MINISTER IS AGREED WITH HIS COLLEAGUE IN REYKJAVIK
TO INITIATE TALKS ON OCTOBER 28. SIMULTANEOUSLY
THE LANDING BAN ON ICELAND VESSELS HAS BEEN
ABANDONED IN ORDER TO IMPROVE ATMOSPHERE FOR COMING
NEGOTIATIONS. FURTHERMORE THE FOREIGN MINISTER
HAS DECLARED THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EXPECTS
THE GERMAN TRAWLERS WILL NOT BE ANYMORE CAPTURED.
FURTHER NEWS PROBABLY ON MONDAY. END OF QUOTE.

2. YOU SHOULD HAVE MY CABLE OF OCTOBER 16 AND
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EARLIER EXCHANGE FROM MY OFFICE BY MONDAY.

3. BIRRENBACH MESSAGE CONFIRMS IMPRESSION WITHIN ATLANTIC TREATY ASSOCIATION GROUP THAT GERMANS ARE MOVING TOWARDS GENEROUS AND SENSIBLE POSITION TO WHICH I BELIEVE ICELANDERS WILL RESPOND IN KIND. IF AMBASSADOR HILLENBRAND AND DEPARTMENT CONCUR, WOULD URGE CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO PUSH MOVEMENT QUICKLY TO SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION.

4. SUCCESSFUL GERMAN-ICELANDIC EEC AGREEMENT BOUND TO INFLUENCE AND FACILITATE BRITISH-ICELANDIC TALKS COMING UP IN NOVEMBER.
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